

1st Mate, Towboat

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JOB CONTROLS

1. Works under general direction of Master who verbally lays out the work to be accomplished and spot checks work in progress and/or after completion for compliance with instructions, but relies on incumbent to carry out assignments on own initiative in accordance with established practices.

MAJOR DUTIES

As 1st Mate, is in charge of deck crew of a diesel or steam towboat, engaged in towing, river inspection, and channel marking operations.

1. Supervises deck crew, on a shift basis, engaged in making fastenings of tow lines and moorings when making up tows or tying up plant; making necessary fastenings between buoy anchors and buoys, operating deck machinery when setting or removing buoys, and other work in connection with handling buoys in marking navigable channel; performing general housekeeping on boat, including cleaning and painting; cutting cable and rope to required length, making splices and knots; making slings and rigs for heavy lifts; loading and unloading supplies; handling heavy parts and acting as helpers to repair crews. Makes work assignments and instructs subordinates in accomplishment of the work.

2. Usually stands watch on a regular shift, but is on call at all times. Keeps an adequate supply of buoys, cable, buoy anchors, paint, rope, etc. on hand, requisitioning additional supplies and materials through the Master.

3. Must possess a license for Inland Mate from United States Coast Guard.

May perform other incidental duties as assigned.